

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

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WSDOT Construction Activity & Possible Delays/March 14-March 24, 2002

<u>Road Conditions</u>: Motorists should expect winter driving conditions. Vehicles should be equipped with proper tires, carry chains, and emergency equipment. For Washington State Mountain Pass conditions call 1-800-695-7623, extension 1. <u>For road conditions between the Spokane area and Ritzville, Tri-Cities, Colville, Newport, or Pullman call 1-800-695-7623, extension 511.</u>

HIGH IMPACT!! SR 290-Trent Avenue/Spokane River Bridge (MP 0.4-0.6)-Work is under way on this bridge replacement project between downtown and Hamilton Street. Trent Ave. is closed to through traffic between Riverpoint Blvd. and Cincinnati Street. Detours are fully signed. Access to all businesses on Trent is available. This is a long-term closure.

SR 290/Trent Avenue (Fancher Road to Sullivan Road)- Work on this project will resume on March 26. Some lane closures can be expected for the grading, drainage, and illumination work.

1-90/Sullivan Road Interchange (MP 291)- No work scheduled for this week.

TRAFFIC REVISION ALERT!! U.S. 395-North Spokane Corridor/Hawthorne to U.S. 2- Work continues. Parksmith Road closed to through traffic between Hawthorne Road and Market Street. Motorists should use Hawthorne as an alternate route. Full access to all businesses on Parksmith is open.

<u>SR 194/Pullman to the Snake River (MP 0-23)-</u> Load restrictions are in effect. These restrictions have been placed to protect the roadway surface from damage during thawing conditions. This condition primarily affects fully-loaded, heavy truck traffic; in effect until further notice.

SR 231/Spokane River to Springdale (MP 46-62)- Load restrictions are in effect for SR 231 between the Spokane River and Springdale (MP 46-62) in Stevens County. These restrictions have been placed to protect the roadway surface from damage during thawing conditions. This condition primarily affects fully-loaded, heavy truck traffic.

NEW!! SR 2/Almira to Wilbur (Lincoln Co. Line to SR 21, MP 207-220)- Work is scheduled to start on Monday, March 18 on this repaving project. Crews will also be installing safety items such as guardrails, drainage, and signing updates. At this time, only minor delays should be anticipated.